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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 28, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows. Please note that, in compliance with the rules under 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, the amended claims are presented in "clean" form with marked-up versions provided in the Appendix.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 13, 24, 35, and 36, and add new claim 38 as follows:

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1. (AMENDED) A method of acquiring a data point of interest on a drawing object, comprising the steps of:

accepting a command to move a cursor near the data point of interest on the drawing object in a computer-implemented drawing program; and

acquiring the data point after the cursor remains near the data point for an acquisition pause time.

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